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The Office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey (the 8th largest in the nation) is charged with the primary responsibility for prosecuting all federal crimes in New Jersey from acts of terrorism to public corruption, white-collar crime, organized crime and gang activities, internet-related crimes, drug importation through New Jersey ports, and many other criminal acts. Through its Civil Division, the Office is charged with defending agencies of the United States, enforcing regulatory agencies' authority, and recovering funds from violators of U.S. criminal, regulatory, and civil laws. The criminal side of the Office is broken into several divisions and units. These are: political corruption, securities and healthcare fraud, terrorism, narcotics, commercial frauds, government frauds, violent crimes, public protection and appeals.

Projected No. of Volunteers: 12 – 15

Internship Location(s): Newark (107 attorneys); Trenton (12 Attorneys); Camden (16 attorneys)

Application Materials: Resume, transcript and legal writing sample

Qualifications: First-year (second semester) and second-year law students. **Must be a U.S. citizen.** There is a required background check because of the sensitive nature of the work performed by the United States Attorney's Office.

Application Deadline: February 10, 2006

Minimum Weeks Required: The summer program is approximately ten weeks long. It will begin on June 5, 2006 and end August 11, 2006. All volunteers must commit to 10 weeks full time.

Salary: Volunteer (without compensation)

Assignments: Perform research projects and assist in trial preparation. To ensure that all interns finish the summer with a good writing sample, every intern will answer, working under the guidance of an AUSA, a federal habeas corpus petition that will be filed with the court. Interns will also be given assignments in as many different divisions and units as possible, providing exposure to a wide variety of practice areas and a number of AUSAs. We also host brown bag lunches at which AUSAs, the defense bar, the judiciary and federal agents speak. We sponsor weekly skill sessions focusing on trial practice (opening statements, cross-examination, etc) which culminate in a mock trial. Our goal is to introduce our interns to the federal legal system, to develop their legal skills and, above all, to enjoy their summer.

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